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Investigator appointed in regard to complaints against two Council Chiefs

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 7, Onerahtókha/April 2015) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) would like to inform Kahnawa'kehró:non that investigator Rish Handa, Attorney at Law, has been appointed today in regard to a letter of complaint received against Chief Christine Zachary-Deom and Chief Gina Deer at the Winter community meeting on 10 Enniskó:wa/March 2015. A signed copy of the letter was requested and received on 20 Enniskó:wa/March 2015.

The appointment, was supported unanimously by Chief and Council. Chief Deer and Chief Zachary-Deom did not take part in the decision. As per the *Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Disciplinary Measures*, Maître Handa will be responsible to investigate the complaints and to submit a final report with recommendations on or before 7, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2015.

The complaint alleges that the Chiefs breached the trust of the community by not abiding by their Oath of Office and by "defending non-natives" residing on the territory in contravention of the *Kahnawà:ke Membership Law*.

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